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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09141.0004

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Noboru FUJIWARA ) Group Art Unit: 3682  
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Application No.: 10/777,105 ) Examiner: V. Luong  
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Filed: February 13, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 4541  
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For: APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A )  
REACTION FORCE TO A )  
PIVOTALLY SUPPORTED PEDAL )  
MEMBER UPON DEPRESSION )  
THEREOF )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

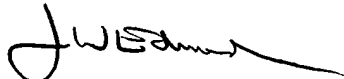
In an Office Action dated April 7, 2006, the Examiner required election of a species of the invention to be examined, and identification of the claims encompassing the elected species. Applicant elects the species of Figs. 1a-1c. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-4, 6, and 8 read on the species of Figs 1a-1c, and furthermore that claims 1-3 are generic to both of the species identified by the Examiner.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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